

OIL AND GAS NEWS

About twenty-nine rigs are up in the Fox district. This includes completed wells, drilling wells and those not yet started. The wells either making gas or capable of producing gas are Lewinda No. 1, Mattie Morris Nos. 1 and 2, Johnson-Von Weise No. 1, Astral No. 1 and Pearce No. 1.

Forty million feet of gas and perhaps more could be taken from that field every day and comply with the law that limits the gas production to twenty-five per cent of the strength of the wells.

Mattie Morris No. 1 has been shut in as a gas well and deeper drilling will not be done until the gas pressure has been reduced. An offset to this well, on the Johnson-Von Weise farm, has been made and timber will be moved in this week. An offset has been located south of the Lewinda gas well and the cellar has been dug.

Plans Oil & Gas Company on the Bentley farm in 28-2-3 has drilled to a total depth of 2750 feet at the last report. A salt water sand was entered at 2760 feet. The same company on the McCown farm in 29-2-3 is drilling in blue shale at 1460 feet.

Lewinda Company No. 2 Dougherty, in 29-3-3, is drilling at 970 feet and No. 4, on the same farm, is drilling at 310 feet.

The Williams well in the southwest corner of 29-2-3 owned by the Gypsy well is drilled to a depth of at least 2500 feet. Plans were made for an abandonment at 2330 but the company changed those plans.

Sinclair No. 1 Astral, in 29-2-3, that made a big gas production, has been moved in and the gas is being conserved.

Through arrangements recently made Jefferson county is to have another test drilled to a depth of 3,000 feet. The Northfield well, in section 9-5-4w, near the town of Ringling, which was shut down several months ago at a depth of 2250, will be drilled deeper. A. A. White and others of Ringling have taken the well over and have contracted with Dr. E. C. Hawley to do the drilling and tools will be moved to the location at once. This well had some nice showings and looks encouraging.

Hexagon Oil Company No. 4, in section 11-4-3, has been completed. It had twenty feet of broken sand and twenty-six feet of solid sand and the production is estimated at from 75 to 100 barrels.

Bayou-1911 Oil Companies No. 19 Stewart & Hawk, in 33-3-3, is drilling at 400 feet and No. 20, on the same farm, is drilling at 300 feet. This company has twenty-nine producing wells in the north part of the field and has one more to drill on the Woodworth farm. When these wells are completed tools will be moved into the rig already built in the southeast corner of the northeast quarter of 25-4-3 and that test, which is ahead of production in the southeast extension, will be drilled.

The Pierce Pipe Line Company has its eight-inch pipe line from Fort Worth to Healdton about half completed. The company had planned to be ready to take oil by the middle of September but it realizes now that it will be after that time when its line will be completed. Through a large portion of Cooke county, Texas, shallow rocks were encountered and the ditch digging machinery could not be used. The delay was occasioned by this difficult digging. Work on the pump stations is making satisfactory progress and the company has received all its pipe for the construction of the line.

Pierce Fordyce Oil Association is ready to begin drilling and work is probably now in process on the well in section 13-7-3w, which is three townships south of the Healdton field. The well was drilled several months ago to a depth of 2170 feet.

In the Loco gas field, in Stephens county, it is probable that 100,000,000 feet of gas is shut in and a few wells are still drilling in that area. This amount of gas, coupled with the larger production in the Fox area, makes the southern fields important as a gas region.

The deepest well at Healdton is in section 4-4-3, on the Dana farm, owned by the Bull Head Oil Company. The well is drilling now at 3400 feet.

Low Price Curtains Drilling. Some of the larger companies are curtailing drilling operations in the field. The manager of one of the companies which stacked two strings of tools yesterday stated that the price of oil did not justify drilling at prices that must be paid for material. The market for wildcat acreage is also dull. That

does not mean that any likely looking stuff is going begging, for the oil men are alert to every opportunity offered to get production but it means that they are not buying in large quantities and running the risk of paying rentals for a series of years before drilling can be done.

P. C. Hoyt, president of the Union National Bank of Wichita, Kansas, was in the field yesterday, the guest of Jake L. Hamon. Mr. Hoyt owns oil production in Kansas and is president of several banks in addition to that in his home city. He will return here the latter portion of the week and spend as much as three days going over the field.

The S. R. T. Oil Company, which built a rig in section 34-2-2v on the Lee L. Galt farm, has changed its name. It is now the Shafter-Vaughn Oil & Gas Company. The capital stock is \$100,000. The officers are T. H. Shover, of Davis, president; T. V. Richards, of Ardmore, vice president; C. C. Chestnutt, of Kingston, treasurer, and J. P. Ellis, of Davis, secretary. Besides the officers named the board of directors consists of J. A. Jackson, of Coalgate.

Gray Oil Company, on the Skidmore farm on the south line of section 11-4-3, is drilling at 1100 feet.

Rau Consolidated Oil Company, in 29-3-1w, is drilling in blue shale at a depth below 1000 feet.

Pipe is in transit for the Woodport well on the Dr. Dow Taylor farm in section 17-3-1w, and drilling will be resumed as soon as it arrives. The present depth is 1510 feet. E. P. Shoemaker, of Pittsburgh, Pa., is here looking after the interests of the Woodport Oil Company.

Van Winkle has cleaned out and shot his well No. 1 in section 3-4-3 and the production has been increased to 150 barrels.

Blue Jay Petroleum Company, on the Walker & Voorhees farm in 29-4-2, spudded in last Friday and the well is now drilling.

Mr. and Mrs. James McKamie were in Ardmore yesterday afternoon from Healdton. Mr. McKamie is a contractor.

T. P. Caldwell, of Cushing, who is promoting a refinery for Ardmore, is in the city today.

J. C. Maxwell, of Tulsa, is here looking over the fields and will spend several days in the Healdton district. Mrs. Maxwell, a former Ardmore girl, is spending the summer at Clear Lake, Iowa, and Mr. Maxwell will join her there during the month. Mr. Maxwell states that the wildcat acreage market is a little off now and needs a new pool to make buying more spirited.

William A. Rogers, who has been representing the 1914 Oil Company here for several months, has returned from a business trip to Tulsa. Mr. Rogers has severed his connection with that company but will remain in Ardmore and devote his attention to the oil business.

Sis Hopkins, who, at one time was a southpaw on the Ardmore base ball team, but who entered oil field work when Healdton was opened, has returned here from Oil City, La., where he has been for some time. He plans to remain at Healdton.

Judge and Mrs. A. Eddleman and family, who have been on an auto trip to Santa Fe, New Mexico, where they visited with their daughter, Mrs. Ernest Lee, are now on their way home. Letters to friends here state that they have had an enjoyable trip.

Smoke Charles the Fourth 10c Cigar.

JEWEL YATES, ARMY RECRUIT, CRITICALLY ILL.

Jewel Yates, who makes his home with his mother on B street, northwest of the Ardmore refinery, is ill and the physicians have almost abandoned hope of recovery. Yates enlisted in the United States army several months before the draft law was enacted and he did so at an age when military service was not required of him. He was taken to Colorado and became ill there. While home on a furlough rheumatism and dropsy developed. His brother who is the only support of the family, is in the navy. The latter enlisted at an age younger than those subject to the selective draft law.

LONDON PAPER WANTS WILSON TO WAKE UP AMERICANS

London, July 31.—The address of Secretary of State Lansing, Sunday, is commented upon appreciatively in the morning papers. The Times, however, regrets that the "full truth is yet very imperfectly grasped by the masses of Americans," and indirectly appeals to President Wilson to go on stump for the purpose of awakening the people.

MORE BELGIAN VICTIMS MUST TOIL FOR GERMANS

Havre, July 31.—Deportations of civilians from Mons, Belgium, continue, the German government sending away 129 men on June 28, and 39 June 29. It is probable they will be made to work on the German front in France.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

FOR SALE—Rooming house with 39 rooms, close in, well furnished; all outside rooms. J. E. McCarty, Phone 1061. 21-7

FOR SALE—Four-room house and 5 lots, 6 blocks southwest of court house, surrounded with good homes, \$2,000 cash buys it; one-half cash handle deal. Mr. Builder and contractor, this is your chance to make big money. See Yates, the Earth Man. 31-3

MARKET REPORTS

LIVESTOCK.

Kansas City Market.
Kansas City, Mo., July 31.—Hogs. Receipts 13,000; market steady; bulk, \$15.20@16.00; heavy, \$15.90@16.10; light, \$15.00@15.70; pigs, \$12.00@14.25.
Cattle: Receipts 22,000, including 500 southern, market steady to 10c lower. Prime fed steers, \$12.75@13.75; dressed beef steers, \$10.00@12.50; southern steers, \$7.00@11.50; cows, \$5.75@9.00; heifers, \$7.50@12.50; stockers, \$5.75@10.50; calves, \$6.50@11.00.
Sheep: Receipts 4,000; market steady to weak. Lambs, \$13.75@14.75; yearlings, \$9.50@11.00; wethers, \$8.50@10.00; ewes, \$8.00@9.25; stockers, \$6.00@14.50.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

Chicago Market.
Chicago, July 31.—Favorable crop reports from a majority of the big surplus producing states gave an advantage today to the bears in the corn market. Besides, forecasts were for showers in many sections.

Free selling was indulged by some of the larger houses. Opening prices, which ranged from unchanged figures to 1/2 cent lower, with September at \$1.63 1/2 and December at \$1.18 1/2, were followed by something of a rally, but then by a fresh downturn.

Most of the trading in wheat consisted of last day evening-up of July contracts by scattered shorts. The market opened 2 to 3 cents higher, at \$2.64 to \$2.65 July, and clung persistently to the upper level.

Tightness of the July delivery was a feature in the oats trade. Deferred futures were easy with corn.

Commission house demand for hard developed to a sufficient extent to lift the provision market in general. Pork, however, was somewhat inclined to lag.

CASH GRAIN.

Kansas City Market.
Kansas City, July 31.—Cash wheat, unchanged to 2 lower; No. 2 hard 2.27@2.28; No. 2 white 2.52@2.53 1/2.
Corn, steady; No. 2 mixed 2.23@2.24 1/2; No. 2 white 2.33@2.35; No. yellow, 2.25@2.26.
Oats, steady to 1/2 lower. No. 2 mixed 74@75.
Rye, 2.06.
Kafir and milo maize, 4.25@4.50.

COTTON.

New Orleans Market.

New Orleans, July 31.—Covering by shorts who wanted to even up over tomorrow's report on condition gave the cotton market here firmness in the early trading, prices rising 25 to 30 points in the first half hour of business. Buyers found little cotton for sale.

The market held steady and fairly active for a while, but finally became quiet with some profit taking by early buyers in evidence. At noon, the trading months were at a net advance of 12 to 14 points.

New York Market.

New York, July 31.—There was renewed covering at the opening of the cotton market today with the first prices 12 to 15 points higher. Complaints of dry hot weather in the south, west seemed to increase the disposition to even up short commitments in advance of the government's crop report tomorrow, and there may have also been a private report making the condition 71.3 compared with 71.7.

This showed less improvement than suggested by some of the earlier reports.

There was more or less discussion of peace prospects around the ring, but it was considered doubtful that it played much part on the advance, which carried October up to 24.17 and January to 23.86, or 15 to 18 points net higher, shortly after the call.

After selling up to 24.32 for October and 24.00 for January, or 27 to 33 points net higher, the demand from shorts became less active and the market turned easier under realizing.

October eased off to 24.11 and January to 23.82 toward midday, or about 18 to 20 points from the best. A New Orleans authority placed the condition of the crop at 83.3, or about 3 per cent better than the government report last month.

ADD \$338,000,000 TO WAR TAX BILL

SENATE COMMITTEE INCREASES MEASURE FROM ORIGINAL \$1,670,000,000 TO \$2,008,000,000.

INCOMES PAY MORE

Both Corporate and Individual Incomes Give Additional Aid—Several Food Articles and Gasoline May Get Raise—Minority Report to Oppose.

Washington, July 31.—Increase of the pending \$1,670,000,000 war tax bill to a total of \$2,008,000,000 was decided on today by the senate finance committee.

Increases on corporations' normal income taxes, on incomes of individuals of \$15,000 and over and a further increase of \$1 per gallon on distilled spirits and 50 cents a barrel more on beer, with a few other minor tax increases, will make up the additional levy.

The committee decided to increase the present 2 per cent normal rate on corporate incomes to six per cent as against four per cent in the bill as originally drawn. It is expected to yield \$162,000,000 additional revenues.

The increase in surtax rates on individual incomes of \$15,000 and more was estimated to raise from \$25,000,000 to \$36,000,000 additional.

New excess profits taxes will be agreed upon later.

In revising the liquor schedules, the committee estimated that adding \$1 per gallon to the tax on distilled spirits, making it \$3.20 per gallon—\$2.10 over the present law—\$50,000,000 more revenue would be secured from that source.

The increase of 50 cents a barrel on beer was estimated to yield \$25,000,000 more revenue making the beer tax \$3.25 per barrel, as compared with \$1.50 under existing law, and \$2.75 as originally proposed in the bill.

In addition, increased levies on sugar, tea, coffee and cocoa probably will be imposed.

The committee also has under consideration the addition of a few new taxes, among them those on petroleum products, including gasoline.

Cuban Hero's Son Promoted.

HAVANA, July 31.—General Jose Marti, who retired last Saturday as chief of staff of the Cuban army, was appointed secretary of war and navy today by President Menocal. General Marti is a son of the noted Cuban patriot, Jose Marti.

Smoke Charles the Fourth 10c Cigar.

NOTICE OF SALE OF OIL AND GAS LEASE.

State of Oklahoma, Carter County ss. In the County Court, Probate.

In the matter of the Guardianship of Lemuel Apala, a minor.

Notice is hereby given in pursuance of an order of the county court of the county of Carter, state of Oklahoma, made the 26th day of July, 1917, the undersigned guardian of the estate of Lemuel Apala, a minor, will sell in the county court room in the city of Ardmore, Oklahoma, to the highest and best bidder for cash, subject to confirmation by said court, on the first day of August, 1917, at 2 o'clock p. m. an oil and gas lease covering the following described lands belonging to the said Lemuel Apala, a minor, situated in Carter county, Oklahoma, to-wit:

West half of the southeast quarter, north half of the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter, southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 3, township 6 south, range 4 west; and the north west quarter of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter, south half of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section 5, township 4 south, range 4 west; and the east half of the southwest quarter; and the north half of the southwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section 3, township 6 south, range 4 west, containing 240 acres more or less.

Dated this 30th day of July, 1917.

KIZZIE TAYLOR, Guardian.

26-27-28-30-31.

THRIFT

The one habit modern boys and girls need most to cultivate is Thrift. We live in an age where every inducement is offered to extravagance. And the end of extravagance is always bitterness, often want and suffering, sometimes crime. THE BANK IS THE BEST HELP TOWARD THRIFT. Nothing means more toward the welfare of a young person than a Savings Account.

STATE NATIONAL BANK OF ARDMORE

"The Bank with the Clock"

SMOKE A "PAULA"

A Wine Flavor

3/4 Actual Size

10c Value for 5c

SOLD IN ALL LEADING CIGAR CASES

WAR EXPENDITURES

Clause May Die With Senate.

Washington, July 31.—The conferees on the administration food bill at their first session today to break their deadlock on the congressional war expenditures committee, opposed by President Wilson, and they recessed until later today with a motion to strike out the provision still pending.

Some of the conferees said it appeared virtually certain that the senate members would yield on the provision and reach a complete agreement on the bill. The recess was taken to enable the conferees to confer with senate and house leaders and learn if the senate would reject the conference report should the provision be eliminated.

The conferees today struck out a provision authorizing the government to commandeer gas pipe lines for military or public defense purposes. The clause empowering the president to commandeer oil pipe lines, however, was retained.

The new provision for a wheat price

fixing board of three members inserted subject to reconsideration, was left unchanged.

GOVERNMENT NABS ALLEGED PUBLISHER AS GRAFTER

Chicago, July 31.—J. J. Wolf, a publisher, is held in bonds of \$2,500 today for appearance before United States Commissioner Mason. It is said Wolf secured a list of names of boys training at the Great Lakes training station and that he sent what he termed an "honor roll" to their parents, with a collect deliver order attached. The return card on the package bore the inscription, "Return to Great Lakes naval training station honor roll publishers, Chicago."

RADICAL ELEMENT CAUSES MORE TROUBLE IN BUTTE

Butte, Mont., July 31.—As a result of the action of the radical element in the Electricians' union in voting to repudiate the acceptance of the new contract offered the men by the Anaconda Mining company, a number of electricians

ceased work in the mines yesterday. Thomas Robbins, a member of the executive board, issued a statement saying that the walkout was illegal and that the international union would protect all men who remained at work.

INCREASED INTEREST IN ARMY AND NAVAL SERVICE

Increased interest in the army and navy continues. About twenty-five men made inquiries at the navy station yesterday and about fifty Saturday. Married applicants who are qualified as cooks and bakers may enlist in the quartermaster corps upon condition that they agree to maintain their families while they are in the service without expectation of aid from the government.

This is the first time that married men have been permitted to enlist in any branch of the army service.

Clyde H. Myers, Milburn; Rennie F. Marsdall, Idaho; Dalphin W. Ingraham, Milburn; M. P. A. Higgins, Sulphur; Robert M. Currie, Ballinger, Texas; and Richard P. Duncan, Loco, are the latest recruits.

Opportunity To Get New Summer Merchandise Much Below Value

Our Mr. Henley has just returned from New York, where some exceptional values were secured. Nothing old or out of date was accepted and we promise the newest most accepted mid-summer styles.

Special Purchase New Wash Drèsses, worth up to \$8.95, Wednesday this week, \$4.95

These smart new model Summer Dresses in voiles, tissues and gingham, in the new summer shades and all white, are certainly attractive at a special saving—sizes 14 to 44.

New Linen and Voile Dresses, Values to \$19.75 (few even more) Wenesday and this week, \$9.95

Most of these were received the past few days, showing decided newness and summer inspiration; tissue and voile combination, tissue and gingham and all linen and other summer fabrics in sizes 14 to 44. Assortment somewhat broken. Don't delay your purchase.

Extra Special \$20.00 and \$22.50 Wash Suits at \$7.95

We have two only of these stylish gaberdine and madras combination suits is the reason for this very special price—sizes 36 and 38.

Final Clearance Spring Suits \$9.98

Every Spring Suit in our house without exception goes in this final clearance.

Special Clearance Silk Suits, Wednesday and this week, \$10.95

This includes several new models just received, real values up to \$35.00.

New Wash Skirts at One-Half Price

A fortunate purchase enabled us to secure from one of the leading skirt manufacturers of the United States one of the salesman samples of wash skirts, at just HALF PRICE. These new, attractive skirts consist of linen, rep, gaberdine and Pique, selling from \$3.00 to \$9.75. Wednesday and this week just half \$1.50 to \$4.87

SPECIAL BLOUSE VALUES—NEW PURCHASE

Special Purchase \$2.50 and \$3.00 Blouses \$1.98

Special values in voiles and organdy, in both tailored and filet and Venice lace trimmed, all new, at \$2.50, \$3.50, \$4.50 to \$5.98

Hand embroidered and crocheted voile, \$7.75 value \$5.98

SPECIAL CLEARANCE, TAILORED AND TRIMMED BLOUSES

Value to \$2.00, including new arrivals \$1.00

First Showing Fall Suits

These new models are shown—Beet root, Faupe, Navy, Black and Reindeer \$29.50 to \$55.00

New Silk Frocks Just Received

For travel, street, church, or calling, new desirable models, navy, steel, green, black, white and flesh, special values \$12.50 to \$24.75

SUMMER MILLINERY MUST GO

All Straw Hats ONE-HALF original price, including Milans, Leghorns, and Bangkoks.

JUST RECEIVED MID-SUMMER FELTS

95c to \$3.75

First Showing New White Satin Hats for Early Fall

New Garments at Reduced Prices

G. M. Henley

SMART WEAR FOR WOMEN

First Showing New Fall Suits

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Wheel Powers

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Roebing Wire Drilling Cables,
etc.

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El Dorado, Chanute, and Augusta, Kansas; Bartlesville, Dewey, Nowata, Chelsea, Cleveland, Tulsa, Drumright, Shamrock, Cushing, Yale, Okmulgee, Morika, Healdton, and New Wilson, Oklahoma; Wichita Falls and Electric Texas.